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In re Application of: Robert B. Harkness and Philip A.
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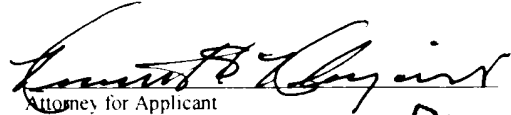
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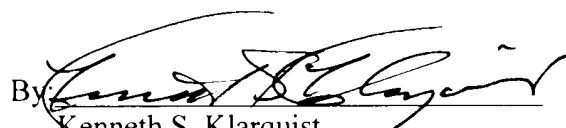

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CORRECTION TO APPELLANT'S (sic) APPEAL BRIEF

In Appellants' Appeal Brief at page 19, it was argued that in contrast to *Thomson* "there was no evidence of commercial availability in the relied upon publications." This may have been an erroneous statement in that in one or more countries in which applications for plant breeder's rights protection have been filed, publications may have occurred in which the date of first sale of the rose of the application may have been included. Such publication would not change the basic fact that the Thomson decision is not in accordance with the law.

Respectfully submitted,

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